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- 3) Copies of IDS Citations for 09/259,757 (11 Documents)
- 4) Return Postcard

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Pursuant to the duty of disclosure provided by 35 C.F.R. § 1.56 and §§ 1.97-98, the applicants wish to make the following references of record in the above-identified application. Copies of the references are enclosed. Copies of the references are also listed in the PTO-1449 form enclosed herewith. It is requested that the documents be given careful consideration and that they be cited of record in the prosecution history of the present application so that they will appear on the face of the patent issuing from the present application. Also, enclosed is the requisite fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97(c) and 1.17 (p), \$180.00.

Portions of the references may be material to the examination of the pending claims, however no such admission is intended. 37 C.F.R. 1.97 (h). The references have not been reviewed in sufficient detail to make any other representation and, in particular, no representation is intended as to the relative importance of any portion of the references. This Statement is not a representation that the cited

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references have effective dates early enough to be "prior art" within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. sections 102 or 103.

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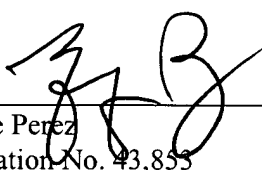
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